

ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL

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STATE BOARD MEETING DATE 8/25/08

SUBJECT: State Tutoring Program Status Report

SUBMITTED BY: Dr. Karen Butterfield and Nancy Konitzer

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15.241 (R) the State Tutoring Program (Failing Schools Tutoring Program) serves pupils attending an underperforming or failing school; any pupil who has failed to pass one or more portions of the AIMS test in grades 8-12 in order to graduate from high school.

On August 22, 2005, the Board approved the initial program to serve the high school students who were eligible for tutoring based upon failure to pass one or more of the high school AIMS test. The program was expanded and approved to serve students in any underperforming or failing school on October 24, 2005. In a special session in December of 2005, the Board approved additional changes to the program, based upon the recommendations of a State Tutoring Program Task Force. These changes provided more incentives and streamlining of reporting for district and charter schools which fostered significantly increased participation in the program thereafter.

At its June 26, 2006 meeting, the Board was presented with an update that included student and tutor participation as well as tutoring results on the AIMS test(s). The August 2008 status report will include how the success of the program has impacted the current budget and the need to have prioritized student level tutoring needs at the high school level this past spring. This update will also include Fall 2007- Spring 2008 student tutoring results.

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That the Board grants approval to the local governing boards seeking continuous approval for 2007 – 2008 as listed in **Attachment A**.

ATTACHMENTS: YES ☒ NO ☐